

REMARKS

In the subject Notice, Applicants' amendment filed on May 16, 2005 was deemed non-compliant because the status of claim 45 was not properly identified. Accordingly, Applicants resubmit a compliant version of the earlier submitted amendment. In the new version, claim 45 has been properly labeled as an "original" claim.

Additionally, Applicants note the presence of typographical errors in claim 1 as presented in Applicants' amendment response of May 16, 2005. In that amendment response, new terms were introduced into claim 1, and other terms removed. These changes were typographical errors made without any intent on the Applicants' part to amend claim 1. As the Examiner will note, claim 1 was never labeled as "amended" and was reproduced in its correct form in the Remarks section on page 24 of the amendment response of May 16, 2005 without the typographical error. Accordingly, Applicants submit that this new, compliant version which accurately reproduces the claims and their corresponding statuses. Beyond that, the two versions are otherwise identical.


Thus claims 12, 13, 18-19, 30, 36, 38, 42, 55 have been amended. Claims 1-84 are currently pending.

Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-84 are in condition for allowance. Early issuance of the Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any shortages or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500393.

Respectfully submitted,
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